

TWENTIETH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Friday, Feb. 10, 1911.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Hudspeth.

Roll called, quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Murray.
Astin.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Carter.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Ratliff.
Collins.	Real.
Greer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Hume.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Vaughan.
Kauffman.	Ward.
Lattimore.	Warren.
Mayfield.	Watson.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Sturgeon.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Mayfield the same was dispensed with.

REGULAR ORDER.

The regular order of business was called (see Appendix for "Committee Reports" and "Petitions and Memorials").

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Meachum:

Whereas, Hon. R. C. Duff of Harris county, formerly a distinguished member of the Texas Legislature, and at all times a gifted and distinguished Texan, is now at the door of the Senate; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be invited to address the Senate forthwith, and that a committee of three be appointed to escort him to the President's stand.

The resolution was read and adopted.

The Chair appointed Senators Meachum, Carter and Hume to escort Mr. Duff to the President's chair. Mr. Duff, being introduced by the chair, addressed the Senate briefly.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senators Weinert and Real:

Senate bill No. 221, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing and directing the Governor of the State of Texas to convey to the Texas District of the German Evangelical Synod of North America about three acres of land out of original survey 25 in the name of Anselmo Galvan, about five miles south of the city of San Antonio, in Bexar county, Texas; also about nine 6-10 acres of land out of survey 36 in the name of William Small, about five miles south of the city of San Antonio in Bexar county, Texas, said conveyance of land to be made upon the condition that the grantee and its assigns shall for all times use the above described property as an asylum, institution or home for the care of widows, orphans and old people, and for the erection of schools, colleges or hospitals, and upon the further condition that this property is never to be given as security for a debt, and shall never be taken for a debt, and that if grantee or its assigns should fail to so use said property, fee simple title thereto shall revert to the State of Texas."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Morning call concluded.

By unanimous consent, after the morning call was concluded:

By Senator Collins:

Senate bill No. 222, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the South Park Independent School District, known as Common School District Number 6, in Jefferson county, Texas, to provide for the election of trustees, for the raising of revenue, issuing bonds, building and maintaining school houses, maintaining public free schools, declaring valid an issue of bonds heretofore made, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Hume:

Senate bill No. 223, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals and the Court of Civil Appeals in this State, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Senator Astin:

Senate bill No. 224, A bill to be en-

titled "An Act to amend Article 234 of Chapter 2 of Title 12 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, prescribing certain duties to be imposed upon county attorneys and providing compensation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Mayfield:

Senate bill No. 225, "An Act conferring certain powers upon the Commissioners' Courts of the counties of this State and authorizing said courts, under such regulations as they may prescribe, to appropriate and use any sum or sums of money not exceeding one thousand (\$1,000) dollars per year for Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work in their respective counties along the same lines as this work is or may be conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture and prescribing that they may conduct such work jointly in their respective counties with the agents and representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the agents of the Department of Agriculture and the Commissioners' Court, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senator Hume:

Senate bill No. 226, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of the Houston Light Guard, a militia company known as Company A, Third Infantry, Texas National Guard; validating its title to armory property in the City of Houston, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

By Senator Ratliff:

Senate bill No. 227, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 36, Chapter 124, Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature as amended by Chapter 3, Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature, relating to county supervision, and adding thereto Section 36a and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Cofer:

Senate bill No. 228, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing a comparison of handwriting by experts or

by the court or jury in civil suits, and providing that irrelevant papers may, when shown to be genuine, be admitted in evidence as standards of comparison, and providing that the common law rules of evidence on this subject shall remain otherwise unaffected, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 1.

HOUSE BILL NO. 81.

(By unanimous consent.)

Senator Vaughan, by unanimous consent, moved to recall House bill No. 81, from the Committee on Towns, Cities and Corporations.

The motion was adopted.

The chair laid before the Senate on second reading.

House bill No. 81, being "An Act to grant a new charter to the city of Texarkana, Bowie county, Texas, repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Vaughan, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Adams.	Paulus.
Astin.	Peeler.
Carter.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Ratliff.
Collins.	Real.
Greer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Hume.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Vaughan.
Kauffman.	Ward.
Lattimore.	Warren.
Mayfield.	Watson.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Bryan. Sturgeon.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Adams.	Carter.
Astin.	Cofer.

Collins.	Perkins.
Greer.	Ratliff.
Hudspeth.	Real.
Hume.	Terrell. McLennan.
Johnson.	Terrell, Wise.
Kauffman.	Townsend.
Lattimore.	Vaughan.
Mayfield.	Ward.
McNealus.	Warren.
Meachum.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Paulus.	Willacy.
Peeler.	

Absent.

Bryan. Sturgeon.

Senator Vaughan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 12.

The chair laid before the Senate on second reading and special order for this hour,

Senate bill No. 12, "An Act to provide for the suspension of sentence in certain cases of conviction of felony, for first offenses, upon recommendation of the jury and for the submission of the issue to the jury by the court; to provide the duration of suspension of sentence, and for pronouncing sentence after suspension thereof in cases of final conviction of the defendant of any other felony and for cumulating punishment in such cases, and providing for an emergency."

The bill having been read, Senator Greer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill page 1, Sec. 1, lines 15 and 16, by striking out after the word rape, the words "by force, threats or fraud."

Senator Murray offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out all of lines 7, 8 and 9, page 2, after the word "defendant."

Senator Terrell of Wise offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend the bill, line 9, page 2, by adding after the word "suspension" the following: "or any misdemeanor that the judge who grants such suspension may deem not good behavior."

RECESS.

Senator Hume, at 12:45 o'clock p. m., moved that the Senate recess until 3 o'clock today.

The motion prevailed.

AFTER RECESS.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Hudspeth.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate:

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

House bill No. 357, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Laredo, Webb county, Texas, and to grant it a charter; to provide for its form of government; to define its powers and to prescribe its duties and liabilities; to repeal all Acts in conflict herewith, and to declare an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER.

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

SENATE BILL NO. 12.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 12, the question being on the amendments and substitute therefor.

(Senator Watson in the chair.)

Pending discussion Senator Murray, by permission, withdrew his amendment, and the substitute became the amendment.

The amendment by Senator Terrell of Wise was then adopted.

Senator Meachum offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 1, line 14, by adding after the word "conviction" the following: "of any person under the age of twenty-five years."

Pending discussion Senator Hudspeth moved to table the amendment, which motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Adams.
Carter.

Cofer.
Collins.

Greer.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Kauffman.
McNealus.
Murray.
Paulus.
Peeler.

Perkins.
Ratliff.
Real.
Terrell, Wise.
Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Nays—9.

Bryan.
Johnson.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.
Meachum.

Terrell, McLennan.
Townsend.
Vaughan.
Warren.

Absent.

Astin.

Sturgeon.

PRIVILEGE MOTION.

Senator Ratliff offered the following motion, which was held as a privilege motion:

I move that the request of the House for the appointment of a free Conference Committee on House bill No. 16, the night closing bill, be granted, and that the following be appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate: Senators Cofer, Lattimore, Vaughan, Meachum and Willacy.

I make this motion because first, it is in the interest of the proper dispatch of business, and the request of the House in such matters should be promptly granted; secondly, because the Senate is the only appointive power for Conference Committees under existing rules. I name the above Senators because House bill No. 16, the daylight bill, is, in a sense, a prohibition measure, and a majority of these gentlemen are prohibitionists, and assisted in the passage of the bill through the Senate, and for the further reason that it has been the immemorial policy of the body to place the supporters of a measure on the Conference Committee in which it is to be considered and by this motion the minority is also represented.

The above motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Bryan.
Carter.
Cofer.
Collins.
Greer.

Johnson.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.
McNealus.
Murray.

Perkins.
Ratliff.
Real.
Townsend.

Vaughan.
Ward.
Warren.

Nays—8.

Adams.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Paulus.

Peeler.
Terrell, McLennan.
Watson.
Weinert.

Present—Not Voting.

Meachum.

Willacy.

PAIRED.

Senator Terrell of Wise (present), who would vote "yea," with Senator Astin (absent), who would vote "nay."

Senator Kauffman (present), who would vote "nay" with Senator Sturgeon (absent), who would vote "yea."

HOUSE BILL NO. 240.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

House bill No. 240, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations for the deficiencies in the appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State Government for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1911, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Willacy the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report).

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Adams.
Bryan.
Carter.
Cofer.
Collins.
Greer.

Hudspeth.
Hume.
Johnson.
Kauffman.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.

McNealus.	Terrell, Wise.
Meachum.	Townsend.
Murray.	Vaughan.
Paulus.	Ward.
Peeler.	Warren.
Perkins.	Watson.
Ratliff.	Weinert.
Real.	Willacy.
Terrell, McLennan.	

Absent.

Astin.	Sturgeon.
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The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—29.

Adams.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Carter.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Ratliff.
Collins.	Real.
Greer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Hume.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Vaughan.
Kauffman.	Ward.
Lattimore.	Warren.
Mayfield.	Watson.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Astin.	Sturgeon.
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Senator Willacy moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 12.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 12, and Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted.

Amend the bill by inserting after the comma following the word "citizen," in line 31, page 1, the following: "And as to whether the defendant has ever been convicted of a felony."

Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by inserting after the comma following the word "perjury," in line 16, page 1, the following: "burglary and."

Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by adding after the comma after the word "murder," in line 15 on page 1, the word "manslaughter."

Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking from lines 16 and 17 on page 1 the words following the word "robbery," in line 16 and preceding the word "arson" in line 17.

Senator Terrell of Wise offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill, page 2, line 11, after the word "felony" the following: "or misdemeanor as provided in Section 5 of this Act."

Senator Meachum moved the previous question on the engrossment of the bill and the pending amendment, which motion being duly seconded was so ordered.

The pending amendment was adopted.

The bill was read second time and ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Adams.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Ratliff.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Kauffman.	Ward.
McNealus.	Warren.
Murray.	Watson.
Paulus.	Weinert.
Peeler.	Willacy.

Nays—10.

Bryan.	Mayfield.
Carter.	Meachum.
Hume.	Real.
Johnson.	Terrell, McLennan.
Lattimore.	Townsend.

Absent.

Astin.	Sturgeon.
Greer.	

REASONS FOR VOTING.

We vote no on engrossment of this bill because we feel that the bill in its present form will work a hardship and be used as a means in the hands of criminal lawyers of multiplying issues before juries to the end of securing the acquittal of persons charged with crime.

LATTIMORE,
MAYFIELD.

SENATE BILL NO. 114.

On motion of Senator Cofer, the pending order of business (Senate bill No. 129) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, Senate bill No. 114 by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Carter.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Ratliff.
Collins.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Hume.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Warren.
McNealus.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Present—Not Voting.

Kauffman.

Absent.

Astin.	Sturgeon.
Greer.	Terrell, McLennan.

(President Pro Tem. Hudspeth in the chair.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading

Senate bill No. 114, A bill to be entitled "An Act to allow a suit for rent to be joined with an action of forcible entry and detainer wherever the amount is within the jurisdiction of the justice court, and declaring an emergency."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Cofer, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Feeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Ratliff.
Collins.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Johnson.	Townsend.
Kauffman.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Paulus.	

24—S.

Absent.

Astin.	Murray.
Carter.	Sturgeon.
Greer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hume.	Warren.

The bill was read third time, and passed finally.

Senator Cofer moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 203.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

Senate bill No. 203, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 104, being an Act of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, to define and provide for organizing and disciplining the militia, to prescribe the duties of the Governor, the Adjutant General and all officers and enlisted men thereof; to define military offenses, to provide for the trial and punishment thereof, to provide for the pay, transportation and subsistence of the militia when called into actual service, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, by amending said Section 18, so that the same shall provide for the appointment by the Governor of a staff, consisting of the Adjutant General and twelve aides-de-camp and that said aides-de-camp shall not be ineligible from holding any office of emolument, trust or honor, and shall not be ineligible from serving as the chairman or member of any committee of any political party."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Lattimore, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Lattimore.
Bryan.	Mayfield.
Cofer.	McNealus.
Collins.	Meachum.
Hudspeth.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Peeler.

Perkins.
Ratliff.
Real.
Terrell, Wise.
Vaughan.

Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Nays—1.

Townsend.

Absent.

Astin.
Carter.
Greer.
Hume.
Kauffman.
Murray.
Sturgeon.
Terrell, McLennan.
Warren.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.
Bryan.
Cofer.
Collins.
Hudspeth.
Johnson.
Kauffman.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.
McNealus.
Meachum.
Paulus.
Peeler.
Perkins.
Ratliff.
Terrell, Wise.
Vaughan.
Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Nays—1.

Townsend.

Absent.

Astin.
Carter.
Greer.
Hume.
Murray.
Real.
Sturgeon.
Terrell, McLennan.
Warren.

Senator Lattimore moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 12.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 12, and on motion of Senator Weinert the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.
Bryan.
Cofer.
Collins.
Hudspeth.
Johnson.

Kauffman.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.
McNealus.
Meachum.
Paulus.
Peeler.
Perkins.
Ratliff.

Real.
Terrell, Wise.
Townsend.
Vaughan.
Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Absent.

Astin.
Carter.
Greer.
Hume.
Murray.
Sturgeon.
Terrell, McLennan.
Warren.

The bill was read third time and passed finally by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Adams.
Cofer.
Collins.
Hudspeth.
Kauffman.
McNealus.
Paulus.
Peeler.
Perkins.
Ratliff.
Real.
Terrell, Wise.
Vaughan.
Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Nays—6.

Bryan.
Johnson.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.
Meachum.
Townsend.

Absent.

Astin.
Carter.
Greer.
Hume.
Murray.
Sturgeon.
Terrell, McLennan.
Warren.

Senator Weinert moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

BILL READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (President Pro Tem. Hudspeth) had referred, after its caption had been read, the following House bill:

House bill No. 357, referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

SENATE BILL NO. 201.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading.

Senate bill No. 201, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create more efficient road system for Collin county in the State of Texas, and making county commissioners ex officio road commissioners; and prescribing their powers and duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners and providing for the condemning of material for the construction and maintenance of public roads and to provide for the compensation for the material used, and providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads and the purchase of supplies for such convicts and reward for the capture of escaped convicts and for the commutation of sentence for faithful service, and good behavior, and defining the powers and duties of road overseers, and to provide for the summoning of hands and teams for road work and for the allowance of time for services of hands and teams on public roads, and fixing a penalty for violation of same and relieving them from the payment of such work by the payment of three dollars (\$3.00); and providing further, making this Act cumulative of the General Laws now in force; and to repeal all laws in conflict with this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report was adopted.

Bill read second time and ordered engrossed.

Senator Perkins moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage.

The roll was called and no quorum was voting, the following answering to their names:

Adams.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Real.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Hudspeth.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Peeler.	

Absent—12.

Astin.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Carter.	Ratliff.
Greer.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell, McLennan.
Kauffman.	Warren.

Senator Watson moved a call of

the Senate for the purpose of securing a quorum. The call was seconded.

The Chair directed the roll called, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Perkins.
Cofer.	Real.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Hudspeth.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Peeler.	

Absent—12.

Astin.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Carter.	Ratliff.
Greer.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell, McLennan.
Kauffman.	Warren.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to bring in the absentees. Later Senator Greer was announced at the bar of the Senate. Senator Mayfield moved to excuse the absentees, which was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Cofer.	Meachum.
Greer.	Terrell, Wise.
Lattimore.	Vaughan.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.

Nays—10.

Adams.	Perkins.
Collins.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Ward.
Peeler.	Watson.

Absent.

Astin.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Ratliff.
Carter.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell, McLennan.
Kauffman.	Warren.
Murray.	

Pending delay Senator Ratliff was announced, and the chair directed the roll called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Cofer.
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Collins.	Ratliff.
Greer.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Johnson.	Townsend.
Lattimore.	Vaughan.
Mayfield.	Ward.
McNealus.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Peeler.	Willacy.
Perkins.	

Absent—10.

Astin.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Carter.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell, McLennan.
Kauffman.	Warren.

RESOLUTION SIGNED.

The Chair (President Pro Tem. Hudspeth) gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read, the following resolution:

House Joint Resolution No. 2, A joint resolution to be entitled "A resolution proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas, by amending Article 16, Section 20, thereof, by striking out and repealing said section, and substituting in lieu thereof a new Section 20, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, barter and exchange of intoxicating liquors, on and after the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1912, within this State, except for medicinal, scientific and sacramental purposes, and providing that the Legislature of the State of Texas shall at noon on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1912, by authority of this section, meet in session in the city of Austin and pass efficient laws to enforce this section; providing further, that this section shall not prevent any session of the Legislature from passing any law to enforce the same; and providing further, that all laws in force when this amendment is adopted, providing for penalties or forfeitures in relation to the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors, shall remain in full force and effect until modified or repealed; fixing the time for the election for the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment, directing a proclamation therefor and making certain provisions for said election and the ballots thereof, and methods of voting; prescribing certain duties for the Governor of this State, and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of said election."

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Peeler, the Senate, at 7:25 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Committee on Finance to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the sum of twenty-five (\$25,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the enforcement of any and all laws, and for the purpose of paying any and all necessary expenses in the employment of special counsel and in bringing and prosecuting all suits and paying expenses incurred in said suits; and providing that such appropriation shall be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the enforcement of any and all laws, and for the purpose of paying any and all necessary expenses in the employment of special counsel and in bringing and prosecuting all suits and paying expenses incurred in said suits; and providing that such appropriation shall be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Johnson, Warren, Bryan, Terrell of Wise.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the levy and collection of an occupation tax from persons, firms, corporations or persons running or conducting pool or billiard tables; also authorizing each county and incorporated city in which any such pool or billiard table is run or conducted to levy an occupation tax; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the levy and collection of an occupation tax from persons, firms, corporations or persons running or conducting pool or billiard tables; also authorizing each county and incorporated city in which any such pool or billiard table is run or conducted to levy an occupation tax; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Johnson, Terrell of Wise, Bryan.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Com-

mittee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation, establishment and maintenance of a special University fund; providing that a certain part of the ad valorem tax rate shall be levied, assessed and collected for said purpose; providing that said tax when collected shall be credited on the books of the State Treasurer to said 'Special University Fund'; providing for estimates for the said fund and for reports as to collections thereof; providing and declaring the purpose of such fund and for the expenditure thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Terrell, Mayfield, Paulus, Warren, Johnson, Peeler.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation, establishment and maintenance of a special University fund; providing that a certain part of the ad valorem tax rate shall be levied, assessed and collected for said purpose; providing that said tax when collected shall be credited on the books of the State Treasurer to said 'Special University Fund'; providing for estimates for the said fund and for reports as to collections thereof; providing and declaring the purpose of such fund and for the expenditure thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Willacy, Chairman; Murray, Real.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 240, A bill to be en-

titled "An Act making appropriations for the deficiencies in the appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State government for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1911, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 155, A bill to be entitled "An Act to erect memorials to commemorate the unselfish devotion to duty, exalted patriotism, and heroic services of Texas soldiers during the war between the States; to provide and create a commission to carry out the provisions of this Act and to make an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Simple Resolution providing for the preservation of the health of the members of the Senate, and authorizing the President of the Senate to appoint a suitable person at a salary of \$5.00 per day, to superintend the heating, ventilating, cleaning and sanitation of the Senate Chamber, etc.

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred

House bill No. 325, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an appropriation for one clerk for the Com-

missioner of Pensions for the fiscal year ending August 31st, 1911, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 136, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of C. W. Howth, former county attorney of Jefferson county, Texas,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be postponed for consideration with the General Appropriation Bill in its Miscellaneous Items.

WILLACY, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 65, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 768, Chapter 7, Title 8 of the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to the competency of witnesses in criminal cases, providing that ex-convicts may testify, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

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Cofer, Ratliff.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale or exposure for sale of cigarettes or cigarette papers or wrappers, fixing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale or exposure for sale of cigarettes or cigarette papers or wrappers, fixing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Cofer, Johnson, Ratliff.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 205, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the drinking of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors and medicated bitters

capable of producing intoxication, on the premises where sold (in any locality in this State, other than where local option is in force), and providing penalties therefor, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

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Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
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Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Cofer, Johnson, Ratliff.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 198, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 395 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas prohibiting betting on elections so as to make it an offense to offer to wager or bet upon elections, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 76, A bill to be

entitled "An Act to prohibit any corporation, individual, partnership, contractor, superintendent, foreman, engineer, or other person having the supervision of any work being done by or for the State of Texas, or any subdivision thereof or any municipality therein from requiring or permitting any person engaged in such work to remain on duty more than eight hours in any consecutive twenty-four hours, except in certain cases of emergency, and excepting further, those engaged in the performance of some official duty, and providing a penalty for the violation of the law, and authorizing the county or district attorney of the county in which the work is being done, or the Attorney General of the State of Texas, to bring suit for penalties in the county where it is being done,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 119, A bill to be entitled "An Act in relation to pandering; to define and prohibit the same; to provide for the punishment thereof; to provide for the competency of certain evidence at the trial thereof; to provide what shall be a defense; providing penalties, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 78, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2, 6 and 7 of Chapter 96 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature (1907) at its Regular Session, entitled 'An Act

to regulate the running of automobiles and motor vehicles, and the requiring of the owner of such machine to register his name and the number of his machine with the County Clerk of the county in which he resides, for the violation of which a penalty is provided,' and to fix a maximum speed limit on circular or elliptical race tracks, courses or speedways, providing a punishment for violation, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

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Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

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Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WATSON.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate:

Sir: We, a majority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters capable of

producing intoxication (in any locality of the State other than where local option is in force) in quantities of less than one quart, and prescribing penalties for violations thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication (in any locality in this State other than where local option is in force) in quantities of less than one quart and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Cofer, Johnson, Ratliff.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the desertion of a wife and children or wife, fixing a penalty therefor, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 123, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Chapter 19 of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas,

regulating bail in criminal cases and regulating procedure in prosecutions for felonies and misdemeanors, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WATSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 186, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 56 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-first Legislature (1909), approved March 17, 1909, relating to the State Institution for the Training of Juveniles, by adding thereto a new article to be known as Article 2947a, providing for religious services at said institution and the employment of a chaplain, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PERKINS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 130, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 123 of Chapter 124 of the General Laws of Texas, as enacted by the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature relating to making college and university diplomas have the force and effect of permanent State certificates, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PERKINS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 178, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 12 of the Acts of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, approved February 18, 1909, by adding there-

to Sections 50a, 50b, 50c and Sections 154b, 154c and 154d; providing for the establishment of common county line school districts, providing for the establishment of independent school districts, or school incorporation containing territory within two or more counties; also providing for the change and abolishment of such districts, and providing for the rights, powers and privileges of such county line school districts, as well as the means and methods for the management and control of such school districts."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PERKINS, Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act to dissolve the independent school district in the town and vicinity of Katemcy, county of Mason, State of Texas, and described herein by metes and bounds. Said independent school district having been established under the Acts of 1905, Chapter 2, Title 18, Revised Statutes, on February 11, 1907, and Article 616, Revised Statutes, 1895, as amended by Chapter 45 of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, 1897, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Perkins, Chairman; Hume, Paulus, Collins, Weinert, Ratliff, Astin, Real, Warren.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 220, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, passed at the Regular Session, being Chapter 23, and an Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, passed at its Regular Session, being Chapter 80, and entitled 'An Act to amend Section 6

of Chapter 102 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to promote agriculture and stock raising and to prohibit the hunting with firearms and dogs upon the enclosed lands of another in all counties within this State, not specifically named as exempt from the provisions of this Act, as amended by the Twenty-sixth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 71a, General Laws of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, to provide penalties and with an emergency clause relating to agriculture and stock raising,' so as to place Atascosa, Caldwell, Coke, Coryell, Hamilton, Mills, San Saba and Walker counties under the operation of such law, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

ADAMS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8, providing for the creation of a commission to investigate and report to the Legislature of this State, during its present session, a bill to fairly compensate employes for injuries received in the course of employment, and defining the duties of said Commission, and making an appropriation to carry same into effect.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MAYFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 141, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Second and Fourth Judicial Districts and to create the Seventy-first Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to fix a time of holding courts in said districts, and to fix the jurisdiction of the court for said Seventy-first Judicial District, and to provide for the appointment of a judge of said Seventy-first Judicial District

and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 8, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 142, A bill to be entitled "An Act to diminish the civil jurisdiction of the County Court of Harrison county, to conform to the jurisdiction of the District Court thereof, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 31, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of railway corporations having charters granted or amended since the first day of January, 1900, and which have failed, or are about to fail to construct their roads and branches or any part thereof, within the time required by law, with emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 10, of Chapter 23 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature so as to extend the time within which and prescribe conditions upon which domestic and foreign corporations which are now in default in payment of franchise taxes and penalties may pay same and have their right to do

business revived by extending until the first day of September, A. D. 1911, the time during which such corporations embraced within the terms of said Act may pay to the Secretary of State franchise taxes and penalties referred to in said Act, and have their rights to do business revived, and providing for forfeitures of the charters of such domestic corporations as may fail so to do, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 85, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing ice companies to buy, sell and refrigerate poultry products, and buy, sell, can and refrigerate fruits, produce, fresh meats and dairy products, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 94, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a monument over the remains of Mrs. Elizabeth Crockett, the wife of David Crockett, in the cemetery at Acton, Hood county, Texas; to make an appropriation therefor, and to declare an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3, and find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Collins:

Petition numerously signed by merchants and citizens of Jefferson county, Texas, asking support of the following Senate bill:

Making it a misdemeanor for a person to give a check on a bank when the person knowingly has no money in said bank to meet the check on presentation.

Senate bill imposing a special tax on persons who sell so-called bankrupt and damaged stocks of merchandise in towns other than their place of residence.

Senate bill amending the law as to peddlers by specifically defining a peddler.

Senate bill giving mortgagee the right to inspect mortgaged property at any time.

By Senator Ratliff:

Petition numerously signed by salesmen of the J. R. Watkins Medicine Company asking repeal of law requiring large license to be paid by them.

By Senator Perkins:

Communications from W. M. Shirley and J. L. Lovejoy, President of the First National Bank of McKinney, protesting against the passage of the Full Crew bill.

By Senator Meachum:

By citizens of Walker county, numerously signed, favoring the passage of the bill permitting the lease and purchase by the M., K. & T. Ry. Co. of Texas of the properties of the Texas Central Ry. Co., etc.

TWENTY-FIRST DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Monday, Feb. 13, 1911.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Davidson.

Roll call, quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.
Astin.
Bryan.
Carter.

Cofer.
Collins.
Greer.
Hudspeth.

Johnson.
Lattimore.
Mayfield.
McNealus.
Meachum.
Murray.
Paulus.
Peeler.
Perkins.
Ratliff.

Real.
Terrell, McLennan.
Terrell, Wise.
Townsend.
Vaughan.
Ward.
Warren.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Absent.

Hume.
Kauffman.

Sturgeon.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Perkins, the same was dispensed with.

REGULAR ORDER.

The Chair called the regular order of business. (See appendix for committee reports and petitions and memorials.)

ENROLLING CLERK INSTRUCTED TO HOLD BILL.

Senator Hudspeth here moved that the Chairman of the Committee on "Enrolled Bills" be instructed to return Senate bill Nos. 10 and 86 to the Enrolling Clerk and that he hold same until further instruction from the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE CLERK ASSIGNMENTS.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Davidson, announced the following assignments of committee clerks:

Committee on Congressional Districts—Assigned to room No. 1, J. C. Canty, Clerk.

Committee on Senatorial Districts—Assigned to Reception room, Oliver Aldrich, Clerk.

Committee on Representative Districts—Assigned to the Secretary's room, C. R. Buchanan, Clerk.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 13, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to